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SPEAKER CANNON NAMES COMMITTEES

Uses the Big Stick Freely Over the Heads of Members Who Failed to Stand Pat on his Pet Issues.

Washington, August 5. — Speaker Cannon announced the appointment of committees for the Sixty-first Congress today. The "insurgents" against the House rules are disciplined, and in a number of instances ranking members have not been given the chairmanship of their committees.

Representatives Fowler of New Jersey, Gardner of Massachusetts and Cooper of Wisconsin, three of the "rules insurgents" who held chairmanships in the last session of Congress, have lost their committees. Representative Vreeland of New York succeeds Fowler as head of the Committee on Banking and Currency, and Representative Rodenberg of Illinois succeeds Gardner as chairman of the Committee on Industrial Arts and Expositions. Cooper was replaced by Representative Olmstead of Pennsylvania. Representative Davidson of Wisconsin is retained as head of the Committee on Railways and Canals. These members participated in the fight on the rules at the beginning of this session and thus incurred the Speaker's displeasure.

Although Representative Wagner of Pennsylvania was the ranking member of the last committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, Representative Mann of Illinois, who has been most active on that committee, succeeds Fowler as head of the committee. Representative Gardner of New Jersey also was the ranking member of his committee (Postoffice and Postroads), but Representative Weeks of Massachusetts has received the chairmanship of that important committee.

Representative Alexander of New York succeeds to former Representative Burton's position as head of the committee on Rivers and Harbors, and Representative Parker of New Jersey is made chairman of the Judiciary Committee to fill the vacancy caused by the retirement of Representative Jenkins of Wisconsin. Representative Dwight of New York, the Republican whip, gets Crumpacker's place on the Ways and Means Committee.

Representative Ellis of Oregon was appointed to fill the vacancy on the same committee, caused by the death of Representative Cushman of Washington.

Important chairmanships retained by members follow:

Appropriation, Tawney of Minnesota.
Military Affairs, Hull of Iowa.
Naval Affairs, Foss of Illinois.
Immigration and Naturalization, Howell of New Jersey.
Irrigation, Reeder of Kansas.
Labor, Gardner of New Jersey.
Merchant Marine and Fisheries, Green of Massachusetts.
Public Lands, Mondell of Wyoming.
The Democratic appointments remained practically unchanged.

New appointments to membership of the important committees include: Postoffice and Post Roads — Fassett of New York, Smith of California, Lowden of Illinois, Drury of New York, Hauser of Idaho and Dadds of Michigan, Republicans, and Cox of Indiana, Democrat.
Territories — Gurnsey of Maine, Langham of Pennsylvania and Goode of Louisiana, Republicans, and Humphreys of Mississippi, Conroy of New York and Driscoll of New York, Democrats, and Delegate Wickersham of Alaska.

The Speaker also announced the names of Tawney of Minnesota, Smith of Iowa and Bowers of Mississippi as members of the joint commission to investigate the matter of surety bonds to indemnify the Government against loss.

ARMY AND NAVY

Army Depots Here.

On account of increases in the number of troops serving in the Hawaiian Islands made within the last year it has been decided to establish quartermaster and purchasing commissary depots in Honolulu. This is a matter the conclusion of which is not likely to be aided by the neighboring commercial interests. The War Department authorities will shortly establish a quartermaster depot and a commissary depot. This, indeed, has been recommended by the military authorities in San Francisco as a means of facilitating the acquisition and delivery of supplies to the increasing garrison in the Hawaiian Islands. The establishment of the depots will come about in the regular way by reason of military necessity and not merely for the advantage it would be to Honolulu business houses.—Army and Navy Register.

The result of the recent examination of candidates for appointment as second lieutenant in the United States Marine Corps is announced this week. Of the 102 candidates that were des-

ignated to take the examination but sixty-two reported, and of these fifty-nine took the examination. The successful candidates who will receive their commissions in a few days, in the order of their standing, are: 1. Charles D. Barrett, Alexandria, Va. 2. Edmond H. Morse, Baltimore, Md. 3. Robert P. Pierce, Washington, D. C. 4. Robert S. Simons, Charleston, S. C. 5. Oliver Floyd (sergeant, U. S. M. C.). 6. Gerald A. Johnson, Washington, D. C. 7. Harry Schmidt, Omaha, Neb. 8. George O. DeNeale, Washington, D. C. 9. Albert R. Sutherland (corporal, U. S. M. C.). 10. Rolland E. Brumbaugh, Roaring Springs, Pa. 11. Paul J. Levering, Baltimore, Md. 12. Earl C. Long, San Francisco, Cal. 13. Harry L. Smith, Concord, N. H. 14. William M. McIlvaine, Philadelphia, Pa. 15. Roy D. Lowell, Syracuse, N. Y. 16. Selden B. Kennedy, Nashville, Tenn. 17. Miles R. Thacher, Germantown, Pa.

Six Months' Pay.

The discrepancy between the Army Appropriation Act of 1908 and that of 1909, in regard to the provision for the payment of the six months' additional pay to designated beneficiaries of officers and men is adjusted in the Senate amendment to the Urgent Deficiency bill, reading: "The appropriation for six months' additional pay to persons designated to receive the same by officers and enlisted men on active service who have died from wounds or disease contracted in line of duty, contained in the Act of March 3, 1909, is made available for payment to beneficiaries of officers and enlisted men on the active list who die from wounds or disease not the result of their own misconduct."

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FARMERS WAIT UNTIL PRICE DROPS

Grain King Wilcox Blames Men for Not Seeing When They Can Get a Good Price—Big Crops Harvesting.

Portland (Ore.), August 6. — "Farmers will not begin to sell wheat until it gets 5 cents or 10 cents lower a bushel," said T. B. Wilcox, president of the Portland Flouring Mill Company, today. "It is usually the case—they wait for a drop in prices before selling their crops. If I had wheat I would sell it as soon as possible, because it is certainly worth more now than it will be after a while."

Wilcox, who is known as the grain king of the Northwest, and who buys and sells more wheat than any other dealer, said the farmers are busy harvesting, and have evidently paid but little attention to the market. While a few of them are selling at present quotations, the big majority of the growers are holding out for higher prices. Today club wheat is quoted at 93 cents a bushel at Portland. But Wilcox predicts that it will soon be selling at considerably under this figure, and it is already dropping a cent a day at Liverpool.

EXAMINATION ORDER NO. 38.

1. An examination of applicants will be held at the Naval Station, Hawaii, Honolulu, T. H., August 31, 1909, or as soon thereafter as practicable for the purpose of establishing an eligible register of subinspectors (dredging) at \$3.60 per diem.

2. The examination will be open to all comers who can give evidence of experience in the kind of work for which they seek employment, and who are citizens of the United States. Persons now holding positions at the yard will be admitted to competition on the same footing as other applicants.

3. Applications will be addressed to the "Commandant, Naval Station, Hawaii, Honolulu, T. H.," and must be delivered to him on or before Saturday, August 28, 1909. No application received after that date will be considered.

4. Each applicant will state in his application his name, age, residence, citizenship, present occupation, and previous employment or work done.

5. The applications will be accompanied by evidence of citizenship and by certificates, preferable from previous employers, as to character, habits of industry and sobriety, and skill and experience in work of the kind required.

6. A board of examiners will convene at the Naval Station, Hawaii, on the 31st day of August, 1909, or as soon after as practicable.

7. Applicants will be informed of the date upon which they will be required to report for examination.

8. The Commandant will acknowledge the receipt of each application, enclosing a copy of this order, and inviting attention to paragraph 7.

9. The examination will be practical in character, having reference exclusively to the requirements of the positions to be filled.

10. The applicant's antecedents and experience, as well as the character of his previous work, will be duly considered by the board in making its recommendations.

11. The board will make sufficient inquiry to ascertain that the applicants recommended are fit for the work; that they have enough education to make the required reports, estimates, and calculations; that they are of reputable character and of sober and industrious habits, and that they have not been convicted of crime or misdemeanor.

12. At the close of the examination the board will make a report, through the Commandant, to the Secretary of the Navy, showing the comparative merit of the applicants for the vacancies and designating the names of the individuals who, in its opinion, are best qualified for appointment. If the board reports none of the candidates for the positions as qualified, a new examination will be held, and the positions will remain open until qualified candidates are secured. The record of proceedings of the board, with applications, certificates, and other papers of those who qualify, will be forwarded to the Department.

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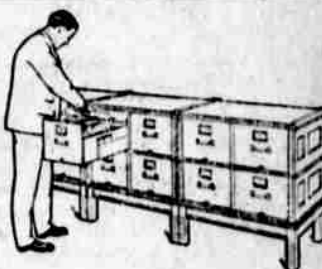
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